

NEWS RELEASE

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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, in the auditorium of the Utah Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. The meeting will begin with an informal briefing session conducted by the Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining. The formal agenda will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Among the items to be discussed in the 9:00 a.m. session are a report on the Crandall Canyon mine disaster and the subsequent creation of the Utah Mine Safety Commission, and a status report on the informal rulemaking process on a request to change Coal Rules by the Utah Mining Association.

AGENDA

The Board will decide that morning the order in which the following matters will be heard.

1. Docket No. 2007-006, Cause No. 139-76 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Elizabeth B. Koch, Petitioner, to Compel Operators Forest Oil Corporation and El Paso Exploration & Production Company, Respondents, to Account For and Pay Royalties Due on Production from two wells located in Section 21, Township 2 South, Range 4 West, USM, Duchesne County, Utah.

*Petitioner is expected to file a “Joint Motion to Dismiss.”*

2. Docket No. 2007-013, Cause No. 121-03 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Western Energy Operating, LLC for Approval of Unit Operations and Enhanced and Secondary Recovery Operations in the Park City and Weber Formations in Sections 22-27, Township 5 South, Range 22 East, S.L.M., Uintah County, Utah, for Authority for Underground Injection of Gas and Water, and Certification as an Enhanced Recovery Project.

*Board will consider approval of an enhanced recovery project.*

3. Docket No. 2007-015, Cause No. C/007/0013-LCE07 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Petitioner; Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Respondent; and UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., Respondent-Intervenor; Request for Board Review of the Division’s May 18, 2007 Issuance of a Permit for Mining Operations on the Lila Canyon Extension, Horse Canyon Mine, Carbon and Emery Counties, Utah.

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